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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Robert F. SAK

Serial No. 09/960,648

Filed: September 24, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3736

Examiner: Unassigned

Attorney Docket No. 004122.00006

For: IMPROVED METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SAMPLING CERVICAL TISSUE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a four-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action mailed January 16, 2002, in the above-identified application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that an extension of time until July 16, 2002, be granted in this application. The Assistant Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$720.00 for the four-month extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. If any additional fees are required or if an overpayment has been made the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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Respectfully submitted,

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